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In re Appln. of: Hideki Suzuki et al.

Appln. No.: 09/870,041

Examiner: Zandra Smith

Filed: May 30, 2001

Art Unit: 2877

For: Optical Detector Apparatus

Attorney Docket No: 9281-3981

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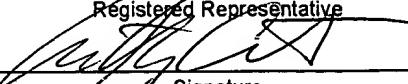
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**REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION OF THE PATENT TERM ADJUSTMENT
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.705(d)**

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Dear Sir:

U.S. Patent Application No. 09/870,041 has a published term adjustment under 35 U.S.C. § 154(b) of 595 days. For the reasons stated herein, reconsideration of this patent term adjustment is respectfully requested.

REMARKS

U.S. Patent Application No. 09/870,041 has a published term adjustment under 35 U.S.C. § 154(b) of 595 days. The patent term adjustment for U.S. Patent Application No. 09/870,041 is calculated as shown below. Dates are specified based on the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system Patent Term Adjustment History. U.S. Patent Application No. 09/870,041 is not subject to a terminal disclaimer.

Period of adjustment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.703(a)

The period of adjustment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.703(a)(1) is the number of days beginning on the day after the date that is fourteen months after the date on which the application was filed under 35 U.S.C. § 111(a) and ending on the date of mailing of a Notice of Allowance 35 U.S.C. §151.

Applicants agree with the PTO calculation of the period of adjustment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.703(a)(1) of 595 days.

Period of adjustment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.703(b)

The period of adjustment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.703(b) is the number of days in the period beginning on the day ("the 3 year date") after the date that is three years after the date on which the application was filed under 35 U.S.C. § 111(a).

Applicants do not agree with the present PTO calculation of 0 days.

The application was filed on May 30, 2001, making the 3 year date May 30, 2004. The application is projected to issue 28 weeks from the mailing of the Notice of Allowance. The Notice of Allowance was mailed on July 2, 2004. The difference between the date the Notice of Allowance was mailed and the 3 year date is 33 days. The difference between 28 weeks after the date the Notice of Allowance was mailed (January 18, 2005) and the 3 year date is 233 days. Applicants thus request at least 33 days and will request additional adjustment once the application issues and a determination of the total period of adjustment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.703(b) can be discerned.

Reduction in period of adjustment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.704(b)

Applicants agree with the PTO calculation of the period of adjustment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.704(b) of 0 days.

Total patent term adjustment

For the present application, the total patent term adjustment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.703(f) is the period of adjustment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.703 reduced by the reduction under 37 C.F.R. § 1.704. The total adjustment is thus 595 days + 33 days – 0 days = 628 days.

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the patent term adjustment for this patent. Office personnel are invited to contact the undersigned for the Applicants via telephone if such communication would expedite this request.

Respectfully submitted,



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